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TELEGRAMS.

PEACE PROSPECTS. POWER TAKE ACTION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 8.

It is semi-officially stated in Berlin that the Powers have decided to take immediate action in the cause of Peace. Identical representations will be made simultaneously to Constantinople and the Turkish Delegates in London with the object of preventing a renewal of hostilities.

Austria and Montenegro. Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje wires that the King has issued a fervid Christmas manifesto to the troops pointing out the possibility of having to fight to secure the ancient capital. It is believed that this refers to Austrian opposition to Montenegro possessing Scutari.

Later, According to telegrams from various sources, the Powers are agreed on the necessity of the cession of Adrianople to Bulgaria, with a reservation in respect of the mosques and tombs of the Caliphs, which will be made extra-territorial under international control.

There is an announcement to-day that Bulgaria will accept such reservations, if asked.

Servia's Sacrifice. The Servian Government has informed the Powers of its willingness, in the interests of general peace, to withdraw the troops from the Adriatic coast immediately peace is concluded, and hopes that the Powers will take this moderation into account and not ask for other sacrifices which may be beyond its power to make.

A British Proposal. London, January 9. It seems to be generally believed that the Powers are preparing to undertake concerted action in Constantinople regarding Adrianople should the deadlock continue for a couple of days, though according to latest reports from Constantinople, the Powers are likely to accept a proposal from Britain to preserve Adrianople to Turkey, subject to the dismantling of the fortifications and other restrictions.

A Turkish Charge. Official circles in Constantinople charge the "entente Powers", specially Russia and France, with encouraging the Allies, but express trust in the sense of fair play of the nations, especially England.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

PERITONITIS AGAIN.

London, January 9.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that the Duchess of Connaught is suffering from a recurrence of peritonitis and will be removed to Montreal this afternoon for treatment.

PROMINENT IRISH WEDDING.

MR. REDMOND'S DAUGHTER THE BRIDE.

London, January 8. A prominent political wedding, between Mr. Green, Chairman of the Irish Prisons Board, and Johanna, the daughter of Mr. John Redmond, the Irish Parliamentary leader, has taken place. The bride is a clever dramatist.

TELEGRAMS.

SIR EDWARD HENRY. HIS ASSAILANT SENTENCED.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 8.

Albert Bowes, the man who made an attempt on the life of Sir Edward Henry, Chief Commissioner of the London Metropolitan Police, on November 27th last, has been sentenced to 15 years' penal servitude.

UNIONIST DIFFERENCES.

A SETTLEMENT IMMINENT.

London, January 8. The Lancashire Unionist Conference has been postponed at the request of Lord Derby. He and the Duke of Devonshire conferred with Mr. Bonar Law in the House of Commons yesterday, and it is believed that a settlement of the differences is imminent.

Rumours. Rumours circulated in regard to the future policy of the Unionists include a suggestion to form a Birmingham group in the House of Commons, consisting of food taxers; also that there is a possibility of the re-appearance of Lord Rosebery as the Leader of the dissident free traders as a Centre Party.

Tariff Reform. Viscount Ridley, Chairman of the Tariff Reform League, in reply to a correspondent, states that the programme of the Tariff Reform League will not be affected by any possible change in the Unionist policy.

Reported Settlement.

Later. It is rumoured in the Lobby that the Unionist differences have been settled on the basis of "two General Elections", food taxes not to be put forward until a Unionist Government has submitted them to the country at a second General Election. Practically every Unionist M.P. has signed a memorial to Mr. Bonar Law expressing unabated confidence in his leadership and leaving the decision of future policy to him.

INSURANCE ACT.

THE LONDON PANELS.

London, January 8. It is officially announced that 759 doctors have joined the London panels under the Insurance Act and it is expected that an additional hundred will join, as the doctors of the adjoining counties are prepared to treat the people insured.

MISSING SPECIE.

DISAPPEARANCE OF £5,000.

London, January 8. A box of specie, to the value of £5,000, has disappeared between Berlin and Hamburg, en route to Rio de Janeiro. This is disquieting to the underwriters in view of the bullion robbery in November.

INTERESTING

BETROTHAL

"BOBS" DAUGHTER ENGAGED.

London, January 8. The engagement is announced of Edwina, daughter of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, and Major Lewis, of the Field Artillery.

TELEGRAMS.

BOMBAY THE NEW GOVERNOR.

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London, January 8.

It is officially announced that Lord Willingdon has been appointed Governor of Bombay.

[Lord Willingdon is the first Baron of that name, the title being created in 1910. He has been Junior Lord of the Treasury since 1906, and will best be remembered as Mr. F. Freeman-Thomas, formerly Liberal M.P. for "Eastwall". He married in 1892 the Hon. Marie Adelaide, daughter of Baron Brassey, to whom he was A.D.C. when the latter was Governor of Victoria in 1895. He is 46 years of age.]

THE NAVY.

NEW TRAINING SQUADRON.

London, January 8. It is announced that the present Training Squadron will be abolished in February and a new one formed by eight ships of the Edgar class, with Queenstown as their base, in pursuance of Mr. Churchill's pledge when he visited Ireland. Formerly one training ship in Queenstown was recalled owing to Nationalist agitation against recruiting.

ORANGES AND LEMONS.

FROST KILLS CROPS.

London, January 8. Reuter's correspondent at Los Angeles reports that from San Bernardino to Los Angeles the crops of oranges and lemons are frozen and only a fifth can be saved. The loss is estimated at twenty million dollars.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

The Corps Orders issued by Captain C. V. S. Skrimshire are as follows:—Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Monday 13th, Civil Service Company Infantry Drill.

Tuesday 14th, Howitzer and 10 Pr. Section Gun Drill, Right and Centre Section M. G. Co., M. G. drill, Remainder, Infantry drill. Wednesday 15th, Left Section M. G. Co., M. G. drill, Remainder, Infantry drill. Friday 17th, Civil Service Co. M. G. drill, Remainder Semaphores Signalling, Kowloon Dock Detachment, Monday 18th, Machine Gun Drill. Wednesday 15th, Infantry drill. Troop Detachment, Wednesday 15th, 10 Pr. Gun Drill. Engineer Company, Wednesday 15th, Parade at West Fort, Kowloon, at 9 p.m. for Technical Instructions. Resigned—Sapper J. H. Lawrence is permitted to resign with effect from the 8th inst.

Map Reading Class.—Members are reminded that the above class will be held at Volunteer Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 9th inst.

Range-Taking Class.—Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday the 18th inst.

Annual Church Parade.—The Annual Church Parade at St. John's Cathedral will be held on Sunday the 26th inst. Orders re dress, time and place of parade will be issued later. The Commandant hopes that there will be a good attendance.

Musketry.—The 5 inch Howitzer and 10 Pr. Sections are reminded that the Standard Test for trained men will be carried out at King's Park Range on Saturday the 11th at 2.30 p.m. and Sunday 12th at 9.30 a.m.

Proposed Dance.—A meeting of all members of the Corps who are interested in the above will be held at Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday the 15th inst.

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LONDONDERRY. A STRAIGHT FIGHT.

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London, January 8.

Mr. Marshal Tullie, a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Londonderry who was mentioned as the independent Unionist candidate; and Mr. Shane Leslie, a cousin of Mr. Winston Churchill, named as a likely Nationalist nominee have both withdrawn their candidatures in the Londonderry bye election.

There will thus be a straight fight between Lieut. Col. Pakenham, the official Unionist candidate, and Mr. David Hogg, the Nationalist.

PORTUGUESE POLITICS.

TWO NEW MINISTERS.

London, January 8.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon reports that Senhor Almeida Ribeiro has accepted the portfolio of Minister of the Colonies, and Senhor Goncalves Texeira that of Foreign Affairs.

BIG RICE DEAL.

Action of the Philippine Bureau of Supply.

The consummation of a big rice deal was effected recently when the civil government, through the Philippine Bureau of Supply, disposed of about 85,000 cavans of rice, approximating in value the sum of P500,000.

The purchasers of this considerable quantity of food supply are two local Chinese rice merchants, Ty Chan Co. and Sui Liong, and the sale cleans up, in one transaction, the remainder on hand of various shipments received from Saigon during the period of several months from last June to September.

It is understood that the government has been put to an expense of about P300,000 in handling this rice project, which estimate includes such quantities as have been given away, lost through deterioration, and such amounts as many have been lost through sale by unauthorised prices prevailing at time of expedient sales to needy purchasers in the provinces.

On the other hand, what is approximately estimated to reach the sum of P1,000,000 conserved to the poorer inhabitants of the islands, has been saved through the action of the government in preventing excessive or monopoly prices. To that extent the monetary object of the government has been successful, in that it has prevented the soaring of prices, and also averting a possible, or possible rice famine by holding in abeyance, to be drawn upon as necessity required, this store of provision with the central government, in charge of the bureau of supply. The distribution of this accumulated food supply has been in the hands of what is known as the Rice Commission.

The successful culmination of the deal with the Chinese merchants is regarded as very timely, in view of the fact that it was absolutely essential that the remaining rice supply be disposed of at this time, as the local bumper crops, which are said to be the largest in the history of the islands, are being harvested, with a consequent drop in the price of that commodity. Had the sale of these rice stores with the bureau of supply been delayed much longer, the loss to the government probably would have been heavy.

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AUSTRALIAN POLITICS. MR. DEAKIN RETIRING.

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Reuter's Melbourne correspondent reports that the Hon. Alfred Deakin has resigned the leadership of the Opposition on his doctor's orders. He retires from public life with the Disolution but intends to participate in the recess campaign against the Referendum.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Andrew Fisher) paid him a generous tribute and said that amid the fiercest political controversy their friendship had never been broken.

[Mr. Deakin is 55 years of age. He was trained for the Bar and has been a prominent figure in Australian politics since his 23rd year. He is famous as an orator and has several times refused titular distinction. He was one of the most prominent figures at the Colonial Conference of 1907 and is an enthusiastic believer in Colonial Preference. During 1909-10 he was Premier of the Commonwealth.]

TELEGRAMS.

THE BECKER INFORMERS.

Their Future Occupations

New York, November 28.—Sam Schepps, "Bridge" Webber, Jack Rose, and Harry Vallon, whose stories convicted Charles Becker and the four gunmen of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, will be released from the West Side Prison to-day. All four plan to leave New York at once, although they all assert that their lives would be perfectly safe here, since the spirit of the gangsters has been broken by the death of "Big Jack" Zelig and the conviction of the four members of his gang.

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Webber to Travel Abroad.

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EXPLORER'S PRIVATIONS A TERRIBLE STORY.

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Captain Ritschel has reached the Norwegian wireless station at Advent Bay, West Spitzbergen, and he is probably the sole survivor of the German Scientific Expedition to Northern Spitzbergen. He reports that the members of the expedition were suffering from the effects of scarcity of provisions and the ravages of scurvy.

The expedition split up in several detachments. His part became exhausted and collapsed in Wijde Bay, and they were probably now foodless. He travelled on alone and at last reached Tallow Candle Cape, Thorsden. He twice fell through the ice and was rescued by a dog.

After his arrival all his toes had to be amputated. The Norwegians at Advent Bay are sending a relief Expedition.

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LOCAL.

The Allan Wilkie Company staged "Candida" last night and are to present "The Liars" to-night.

At the European Y.M.C.A. last night the President, (H. E. Sir Henry May), held a reception, which was very largely attended.

An interport trial match yesterday between a team of Probables and an Army and Navy team resulted in a win for the former side.

The Full Court appeal in which Pung Kwai-chung sued Lo Sut Po to recover a debt alleged to be wrongfully detained was continued to-day.

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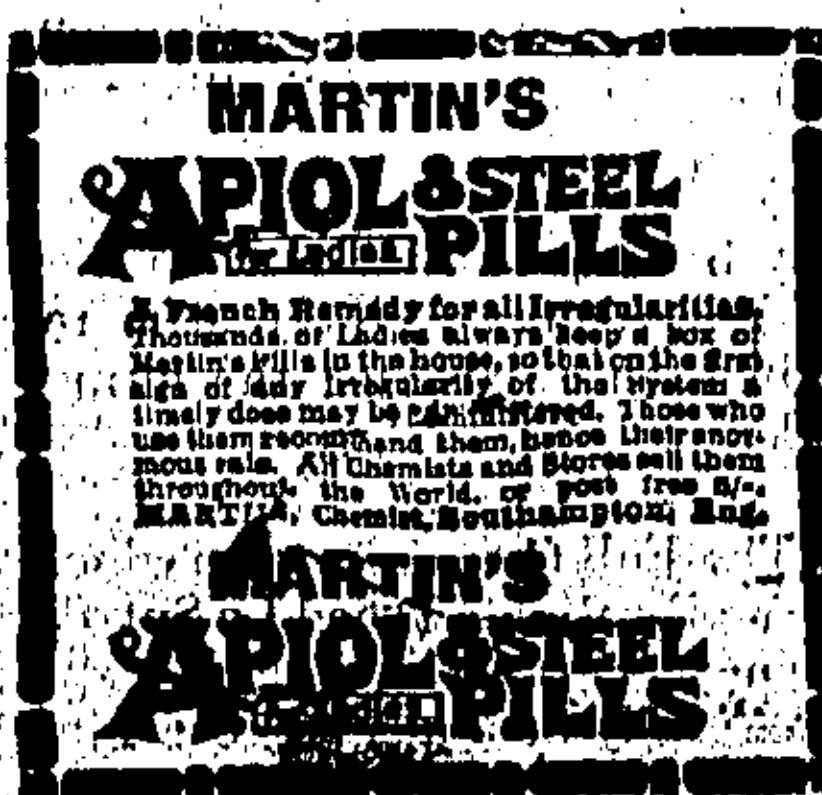
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CONTEMPORARIES.**

Daily Press.

Japanese Politics.

The chief trouble will begin,
however, when the new Ministry
comes to face the Diet and present
its Budget. The country is in-
tend upon retrenchment and
unless the new Ministry meets its
views or contrives to convert the
members of the Diet, it will en-
counter considerable opposition,
which may end in an appeal to
the country. In a country which
has so lately adopted representa-
tive institutions it is perhaps not
surprising to find a lack of politi-
cal purity, and there are ways
and means by which the Katsura
Ministry may succeed in getting
a new Diet elected which will be
submissive to its wishes. The
chief point brought out by the
crisis through which the country
has passed is the power of the
Army. It has been pointed out
that this is a survival of feudal
times and that the country will
never escape military rule until
it places civilians in the posts of
Ministers of the Army and Navy.
Such a reform, however, could
not be effected without a sharp
conflict of opinion, and Prince
Katsura would be the last man
to attempt it.

South China Morning Post.

Infant Mortality in the East.

In the Philippine Islands it is
interesting to note the conclusion
arrived at by a special committee
appointed last June to investi-
gate the conditions there. It has
been found that the excessive in-
fant mortality in the islands is
so intimately associated with the
larger questions of social and
economic conditions that any
marked improvement effected
must be at the expense of huge
financial outlay. Social and eco-
nomic betterment must be a
powerful factor in saving infant
life, particularly among races
which have been denied the
knowledge so generously placed
within the reach of the people of
western world. The investigators
in the Philippines have made the
most searching enquiry, realized
the main causes of excessive in-
fant mortality, and after mature
consideration have formulated a
scheme which could be carried
out by means of funds raised by
special forms of internal revenue
and taxation on the luxuries and
authorised vices of life.

China Mail.

Poor Old China!

Well, so far as the British group
is concerned—and let it be
murmured soft and low that the
meetings of this group appear to
be under the distinguished
guidance of Mr. Wedgwood—
who, if you know it not, is the
Honourable Member of Parlia-
ment for Newcastle-under-
Lyme—(quite a respectable
place!) the "programme" or
"platform" which doubtless is
believed by the promoters to be
quite unambitious, comprises
(1) to keep in touch with similar
groups elsewhere and with the
leaders of thought in the Chinese
Parliament. We should like to
hear Sir Edward Grey's opinion
regarding the first part of this
modest intention and also the
opinion of the members of China's
National Assembly regarding the
latter part of it. The object of
this is, it is stated, "to help the
Republic by Parliamentary action
and to influence public opinion
in keeping a check upon mis-
statements by the Press and in
every way to give the new Re-
public the best opportunity of
developing China upon free and
independent lines." Very laud-
able, indeed! But are not the
members of China's Assembly
able to do most of that for them-
selves? Do President Yuan Shih
Kai, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, H. E. Wu
Ting Fang, and the gallant and
wise General Li Yuan Hung
solicit the well-intentioned efforts
of this worthy group? We think
not; nor are they likely to; nor
need they, for China under their
guidance will reach her true
equilibrium in a much better
manner than by outside, grand-
motherly interference of the kind
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that feeds him—on the dust in which
he was born. No wall can keep him
out; he is breathed into a human
system through the throat, thrust into
the system by the bite of an insect, or
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TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams appeared as an Extra after we went to press on Wednesday:—

TERRIBLE WEATHER.

RUSSIAN STEAMER
WRECKED.

Another Goes Ashore.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Singapore, January 8.

Terrible weather is reported eastward.

The Russian steamer Peter Morch, belonging to the Northern S.S. Company, Ltd., bound from Calcutta to Vladivostok with tea, was wrecked on Friday on the Rho Archipelago.

The s.s. Alexey Morch, belonging to the same owners, bound from Vladivostok to Calcutta, light, went ashore on Sunday within 20 miles of the Peter Morch.

No lives were lost in either case.

PLANTATION TRAGEDY.

EUROPEAN PLANTER
MURDERED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, January 8.
Mr. O. Klay, a planter, of Johore, has been murdered.

WHY WORKSHOP FLOORS
SHOULD BE DISINFECTED.

The abuse of sweeping dusty floors, near the close of a working day, before the operatives have gone home, has been shown to be very grave. The American Association for Labour Legislation recently took under investigation the number of disease germs in the dust of the average workshop. That there are countless billions deposited upon the floor, everyone knows, but while on the floor they are comparatively harmless, while, flying through the air, they are breathed down by the worker, often with serious consequences.

It needs but little thought to see the injustice of sweeping a floor and raising a cloud of dust when there are, thirty or perhaps a hundred workers in one department of a factory, when, by sweeping immediately after the operatives had gone home, the only people who would be subjected to the dust would be the sweepers themselves and they would be endangered in any case.

Many of the large English factories, acting upon a famous experiment in the printing trades in London, sweep their floors with a reliable disinfectant, for it has been found that this renders the number of germs so small that the dangers are almost nil. In these carefully managed places, moreover, the floors are not swept until all the workpeople have gone home.

On the same basis, it is pointed out, the officious Pullman car porter who wants to "brush you off," or the bootblack who does the same thing, is a veritable spreader of disease. Bacteria and bacilli are harmless as long as they are sticking to the cloth of one's clothes and brushing them off may really be the means of starting up some infection. It is pointed out that tailors—especially those who have a great deal of cleaning and pressing to do—are unhealthily and much afflicted with tuberculosis. There are many other causes for this in their work of course, but undoubtedly this is a factor.

In the house, where sweeping and dusting are constantly necessary, it is advised that the broom be damped with a disinfectant fluid. In dusting, materials should be used to which the dust will cling (altogether such dusters will get dirty quicker), rather than be made of hard materials which will drive the dust into the air. There is a tremendous strain on the vitality of every person who breathes dust-laden air, to overcome onslaughts of the germs that have been breathed in. Sweeping is to make a place clean, not to make it look clean, and only by moistening the broom can the floors be kept clean.

GENERAL NEWS.

Another Chinese Graduate of
London.

The honours list recently issued by the London University includes the name of Mr. Yi Chen (Class 2 B. Sc. Economics for Internal Students).

An unfinished history of China, General Homer Lea, the author of "The Valor of Ignorance," was, at the time of his death, engaged on a history of the political development of China.

U. S. and China.
Washington, January 3.—Senator Bacon, of Georgia, has introduced a resolution in the United States Senate asking for the immediate recognition by the United States of the Republic of China.

Green Tea Barred.
An order was issued at Peking some time since by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry forbidding both the producers and the merchants in tea from coloring their tea, as criticisms have often been heard from foreigners dealing in Chinese tea.

Foreigner Sentenced at
Yokohama.

In the Yokohama District Court on the 24th ult. sentence was passed on William Schop-dooher, charged with fraudulently obtaining ¥45,000 belonging to his employers, Messrs. Raspa & Co. Accused was found guilty, and sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment.

Opium at Brest.

The examining magistrate at Brest has concluded his inquiry on the subject of the opium dens there. Only four of the women who were charged with keeping these places will be sent for trial. A warrant has also been issued for the arrest of one of the men who provided the opium, who has fled the country. It is thought that the affair of the opium dens will come before the tribunal at Brest in a month.

Football Casualties; 10 Dead,
36 Injured.

Ten dead and 36 injured is America's record of the 1912 football season. Last year there were 14 deaths and 67 injured, according to statistics compiled by a Chicago newspaper. Of the fatalities three were high school players of other teams. No college players were killed during the year, for the first time in several seasons. Of the injured seven were college players, nine high school players, two grade school players and eight members of athletic clubs.

U. S. Postoffice Sending out
Exposition Stamps.

Washington, November 25.—The distribution of 240,000,000 Panama-Pacific Exposition stamps to the 60,000 postmasters throughout the country was begun to-day by the Post office Department. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is sending wagon-loads of the stamps daily to the department, which is shipping them to post offices as rapidly as requisitions of postmasters are received. All the stamps were distributed by December 20th, but they were not to be placed on sale until January 1st.

Philippine Assembly Approves.

The secretary of the Philippine Assembly has cabled to the resident commissioners in Washington the following: "The Philippine Assembly, in its session of December 10 last, approved a resolution asking Congress and the President of the United States, through the resident commissioners, that the Jones bill be approved in the coming regular session, and that in the event that it could not be done so the President be asked to convene a special session of Congress for the purpose of considering the Jones measure."

Music and Politics.

At the request of Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont, Titta Ruffo, the famous baritone, with 100 other members of the Dippel operatic forces, have organized a musical artistic branch of the political equality association of New York. Mrs. Carolina White has converted Ruffo to the cause. Miss Mary Garden was asked to join the association, but she cabled back: "When I am convinced that voting is better than singing for a prima donna I shall retire from the stage and enter politics, as I am sure I would make a good leader. Until then I much prefer to impersonate Salome, Thais and Topsy."

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INTERNATIONAL POLO.

England's Strong Team to Meet
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Great interest has been aroused in London by the challenge sent by the Hurlingham Polo Club to the American Polo Association to play a series of games for the America cup.

Eight or ten of England's best players will go over to the United States, so that in case of accident there will be plenty of men on hand to step into any gap. The team, under the captaincy of Walter S. Buckmaster, probably will be selected from Lord Wodehouse, Captain G. E. Bellville, Captain Leslie Chespe, Captain J. Hardress Lloyd, Captain R. G. Ritson and F. M. Kreaks, while Captain F. St. J. Atkinson, and B. A. B. Scriber, with one or two other players, will asked to make the trip.

Some of the team have wonderful records. Walter S. Buckmaster acquired fame with the old Cantabs team, the winner of the Hurlingham cup last summer. Captain Chespe was a great player with team of 1911, and Captain Ritson has a fine Indian reputation.

Under the new agreement the matches will, it is understood, be played between June 1 and July 8, or as soon thereafter as the weather permits, so that the British team will not have much time in America before the matches are played.

The Duke of Westminster, who will defray the entire cost of the British team's visit to America, always has possessed a good stable. He has, however, added to it by purchase during the season and is still on the lookout for more good ponies, while it is probable that others will be lent for the Anglo-American matches.

H. Payne Whitney and other American players were in England during the summer and were said to be on the lookout for good ponies. The papers made an appeal to English owners to give the Duke of Westminster the first refusal of any they had for sale.

B. I. Boat Sold to Japanese.

The British Indian Steam Navigation Company, Limited, have sold their steamer Aska, of 542 tons gross register, to Japanese buyers. She was built at Troon in 1889, with dimensions 190 ft. by 29 ft. by 11-6 ft., and is at present in Eastern waters.

SIAMESE DIVORCE LAW.

Wife's Useless Application in
English Court.

A point in Siamese divorce law was mentioned in the Divorce Court London when a suit for judicial separation was brought by Beatrice Countess Seni Bhidak against the Count Seni Bhidak, a Siamese nobleman.

Mr. Barnard K.J. said the petitioner was an American. She first married a German, but the union was dissolved. In 1907 she met the respondent in Germany, and in the following year they were married at the Kensington Registry Office.

At the end of July they sailed for Singapore. The Count went away with a Siamese lady, and sent his wife a telegram:

You are free to marry whomsoever. I have provided you with ample means. Best for you to return to England. I can do nothing more for you. Thanks for police escort.

He also sent her an affectionate letter, which began: "Dear Baby." She returned to England, and then received from the Count a declaration that she had been divorced by him.

The petitioner, fashionably attired in black, gave evidence in support of her counsel's statement.

Mr. Richard Dudley Craig, a barrister, said the declaration was a valid dissolution of the marriage. In Siam a marriage could be dissolved by mutual consent or after three months' desertion by the husband.

His lordship dismissed the petition, remarking that he was satisfied the marriage had already been put an end to.

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There was launched at Belfast on 7th ult the steamer Nestor, which has been built for Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co.

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THE PARLIAMENT "GROUP."

The Group of members of Parliament who are interested in Chinese affairs has had its first meeting, has outlined its objects, and has adopted a resolution. The objects in themselves are praiseworthy enough, and no one would wish needlessly to throw cold water on the Group's plans. Yet it may well be asked:—Has there not been more than enough talk already, and is not the present rather a time for action than for consultation and resolution? If one considers all that has been learned and said and thought, during the past twelve months, concerning the Chinese Republic, one is almost forced to the conclusion that there is really little or nothing further left to discuss.

The object of the Group is "to help the new Republic." But will the Group get any thanks for that? Judging from Chinese speeches and newspapers, the new Republic would very much rather help itself, and, unless we are mightily mistaken, would be disposed to regard any such help as that suggested as intrusive, patronising and impertinent. The Chinese may well ask what a body of politicians in England, whose knowledge of Eastern Affairs has, in the main, been acquired at second hand, can have to tell them about managing their country; and some of the more outspoken among them may even hint that all the balance of energy which British parliamentarians may have to their credit might well be expended in setting their own political house in order.

The proposals that the Group should ultimately be made to include men of letters and science, and that some check should be kept on misstatements in the Press, does not seem to carry matters much farther. It is a poor sort of Press that needs a special commission to help it to tell the truth; and men of letters and science cannot, as a rule, be expected to possess more than a superficial knowledge of Chinese matters unless they are receiving daily and reliable information from Peking. The long and short of the whole business is that the Chinese Republic can no more be appreciably helped by outsiders than a young lad starting out into life can (or will) be guided by the advice of his elders. "In this world we have to get our knowledge of life for ourselves; we can no more learn it from the experience of others than we can learn whist or boxing from a handbook; and the more convinced we are that we are out of leading strings, the harder it is for more experienced persons to give us even the slenderest help. So with China; as she sows, so she must reap; and she will profit—or at least learn—more by half an hour's real experience than all the theorists outside, however, amiable and generous their motives, can teach her in a century.

The China Squadron.

Though it has not been officially announced, Home papers state that the County-class cruiser Hampshire is to replace the Defence on the China Station, which the latter craft left under sealed orders some few weeks back. In the event of this being true, we assume the Minotaur will once again become the flagship of the Squadron here. The change will be regretted by those who had hoped for an increase in the strength of the China Squadron, inasmuch as the Hampshire is a smaller boat than the Defence, and is, moreover, not so modern a craft. The Hampshire, however, is a very useful type of warship, being an improvement on the present representatives of the County-class here—the Monmouth and the Kent. Her tonnage of 10,350 is some 2,000 tons more than that of the two cruisers mentioned, while her armament is decidedly superior; the speed is about the same, namely 23 knots, which is also the speed of the Defence. The Monmouth and Kent were completed in 1903, the Defence in 1908 and the Hampshire in 1905.

Street Lighting.

The distribution of street lamps in Hongkong is a little puzzling. In any Eastern city where the verandahs overhang the sidewalks, the pavements must of necessity get little light at night, being left more or less in the shadow; and apparently there is no inexpensive way out of this difficulty. Where, however, these verandahs do not exist, as, for instance, on the seaward side of the Praya or in most of the up-hill roads, there is surely no excuse for the footing being rendered positively dangerous at night through insufficient light. One of the worst spots in the city, in this respect, is the steps leading down from Chancery Lane to Arbuthnot Road and those therefrom to Wyndham Street. Both flights are of a considerable height, but there is no lamp other than those in the roadway below; and even a person whose sight is quite good risks a sprained ankle or broken leg every time he comes down these steps after dark. Will the authorities take a hint?

Trade Returns.

The figures given in yesterday's telegrams relative to the amount of British trade during the past year are instructive, but what do they amount to after all? A record in imports and exports may flatter the national vanity, and the figures may be useful to politicians on the stump, but they do not point to a more happy and contented people. The increases are undeniable; so is the growing difficulty to make ends meet. The cost of living has gone up very considerably during the past ten years and wages have not anything like risen in proportion. Nor is unemployment decreasing in any degree worth mentioning. It is all very well to parade figures and talk in millions, but that is cold comfort to men struggling to make ends meet.

Hope for the Future.

So much, indeed, the Unionists recognise. They may differ among themselves as to the best way of making a tariff operative, but the same spirit animates the differing sections—the desire to make matters more easy for the wage earner. The fact that there are differences of view is, in itself, no bad sign. It indicates, at least, that the members of the party are in earnest and are not prepared to "follow the leader," like sheep, on a matter of such serious moment. A party so greatly in earnest in promoting national well-being may be trusted to compose its differences and to arrive at the best way out the existing difficulties. It is not, at any rate, content to accept mere paper figures of turnover in trade as proof that all is well with the heart of the nation.

No Divinity Degree Tests.

In the Congregation of Oxford University statutes have been adopted freeing examiners in the final School of Theology from the requirement that they shall be clergymen of the Church of England and throwing open the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity and Doctor of Divinity to students who do not belong to the Church of England.

DAY BY DAY.

There is something harder to face than death, and that is the realisation of failure and misdirected effort and wrong-doing.

German Mail Delivered.

The German mail despatched from Hongkong on December 11th was delivered in London yesterday.

Boat Stolen.

A boat builder of Mong Kok, Yau-mai, has reported to the police, that a partner of his has stolen \$200 and cleared off.

Grass Cutter Punished.

A man who cut grass from Government land, was fined \$2, or in default seven days, by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning.

Mr. Frey Leaves.

Mr. A. G. Frey, who is the assistant to the General Manager of the Pacific Mail S.S. Company, left the colony to-day for America on the s.s. Mongolia.

Gamblers Fined.

Six men charged with gambling at Tsam Tsui Po, were each fined \$3 or in default seven days, by Mr. O. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning.

Lantern Lecture.

The Rev. C. Berry, B.A., of Emanuel Church, Plymouth, is to give a lantern lecture, on "Travels in Rome and Pompeii," at the Seamen's Institute on Saturday, at 8 p.m.

Youth Injured.

A Chinese youth aged 15 years, has been removed to the hospital suffering from an injury to his face caused by the branch of a tree falling on him in Morrison Hill Gap Road.

Failed to Appear.

A barber was given in charge by another barber at West Point, for stealing his hair clippers. At the Police Court, this morning, the complainant did not appear, and the defendant was discharged.

Quarrel about Money.

A paint-scraper living in Third Street, has been removed to the hospital suffering from a wound at the back of the head, alleged to have been inflicted by another paint-scraper during a quarrel about money.

Symptoms of Poisoning.

Four Chinese males have been removed to the hospital from 52 Lyndhurst Terrace suffering from the effects of a stupefying drug. They appear to have the symptoms of poisoning which became apparent after the evening meal.

Left To-day.

Mr. Moroni, who is in charge of the entire catering of the Pacific Mail ships, left to-day by the s.s. Mongolia. He states that excellent supplies, in the way of meats and vegetables, can be bought in Hongkong more cheaply than in any other port in the East.

Motor Car Accident.

The police report that a Chinese male living in Tai Ping Shan Street, has been removed to the hospital suffering from the effects of being knocked down by a motor car belonging to the Exile Garage, and driven by a Chinese. The injuries are not serious.

Two Men Dismissed.

Two Chinese were brought before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, and charged with being rogues and vagabonds. Inspector Dymond asked for the charge against one man to be withdrawn. His Worship then dismissed the man and after hearing the evidence also dismissed the other man.

Bribery.

When a Chinese constable arrested a man in West Point, for hawking without a licence, the man gave him twenty cents not to take him to the station. At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Hazeland, fined him \$3 or seven days in default, for hawking without a licence, and \$50 or in default one month for trying to bribe the constable.

Policeman's £5 Fire Engine.

The Scarborough Watch Committee has sold for £5 a disused manual fire engine to Police Constable James Wilkinson, a member of the local force, who intends to present it to his native village of Kippax, in the West Riding.

BOYCOTT AREAS.

H. E. Gives Another Audience This Morning.

This morning, H.E. the Governor in Council gave a further audience to representatives of assessment districts and villages in connection with the Ordinance recently passed for the prevention of boycotts. In all, five batches of representatives were heard and, as in yesterday's case, no decision was announced. We are informed that decisions will be deferred until January 20.

The districts represented to-day were:—

Assessment District No. 9 Bowington.
Assessment District No. 10 Sokompo.

Villages.

Shaukiwan East.
Shaukiwan West.
Quarry Bay.

Before hearing the Chinese representatives of Assessment Districts 5, 6, 7 and 8 yesterday morning, H. E. the Governor in Council received the three delegates of the non-Chinese property owners who, at a meeting held at the Registrar General's office on Tuesday, had been deputised for that purpose.

Therepresentatives were Messrs M. S. Northcote, H. Humphreys, and J. P. Braga, and they pointed out that they stood for owners whose property totalled up to some millions of dollars.

No General Exemption.

On being asked for further particulars as to the assessment area, H. E. showed, by means of a map, that this embraced practically the whole of the City of Victoria up to the 700ft. contour, including Conduit Road. The representatives then asked that all property owned by Europeans, and all Chinese property tenanted by Europeans, should be exempted. The Government's view, however, was that there can be no general exemption on principle, but that owners themselves who feel that they have grounds for objecting to the tax must send in their representations to the Governor, who will consider these on their individual merits. What was more, since the tax which it is proposed to levy would be upon the occupiers, in the event of the owners not applying for exemption, the tenants themselves would have to submit claims for exemption.

Tenement Houses.

Further, it was shown that the Government could not entertain any application for exemption, as a whole, of any specified block in Queen's Road, Des Vaux Road or Connaught Road. The houses in that area which could be exempted had already been indicated in the Government Notification No. 2.

On the important matter of tenement houses, the representatives asked as to the method of taxation which would be followed. They pointed out that, in the case of many tenements, flats were let both to Chinese and to European tenants, and enquired how the Government proposed to deal with such property: whether houses of that description would be taxed as a whole, or in part, or would be entirely exempted. The reply was again to the effect that the Government would consider each individual case on its own merits.

During the discussion it transpired that the Government will consent to searches at the Land Office, for particulars as to the various property owners, being made without payment.

Chinese and the Trams.

We are informed that over fifty influential Chinese held a meeting at Tung Wah Hospital, at 8 o'clock last night, to discuss the best means of ending the boycott. A resolution was passed to the effect that every man present should purchase at least \$5 worth of tram tickets and should persuade his servants and other employees to use the cars as frequently as possible.

A committee of twenty-five was deputed to approach the various district associations and guilds with a view to persuading them to buy tram tickets and to travel by the cars. The meeting was then adjourned till 11 a.m. to-day.

At this morning's meeting, which was attended by twenty-five Chinese, it was suggested that Mr. Stodart Kennedy, the

general manager of the Tramways Company, should be invited to attend. On Mr. Kennedy's appearing, the matter was discussed with him, and finally he sent for 5,000 tickets which were at once bought by the Chinese. The committee is communicating the result of the meetings to the associations and guilds.

After leaving the hospital, this morning, a number of committee members travelled by car as far as the Post Office, and it was noticed that their example was quickly followed by other Chinese who had seen them riding.

"CANDIDA."

Allan Wilkie Company in a Shavian Play.

A small and rather unresponsive house witnessed the Allan Wilkie Company's presentation of Mr. Bernard Shaw's "Candida" last night. The work of the company deserved a much better house.

As the Rev. James Morrell, Mr. Allan Wilkie was excellent, and made a notable figure.

Miss F. Hunter-Watts played the "trusted" wife with rare skill and charm, and in her scenes between her husband and Eugene Marchbanks, (Mr. G. F. Weir), in the last act, Miss Hunter-Watts showed rare histrionic skill and painstaking study of one of Mr. Bernard Shaw's most difficult characters.

Mr. Philip Gordon as the wealthy Mr. Burgess, was finished and clever, and he did more than his share in making "Candida" a success. Mr. Stafford Dawson played the part of the Rev. Alexander Mill with every care, though it was a small part.

Miss Vera Orlinton, as Prosperina Garnett, the stenographer was also clever.

To-night the Company present "The Liars."

The Liars.

A brilliant comedy most brilliantly played, was the general verdict of an amused and delighted audience as they left the theatre when the Allan Wilkie Coy. staged Henry Arthur Jones' brilliant comedy "The Liars," during their last visit here. The comedy is to be staged again to-night. Henry Arthur Jones in "The Liars" has set before us an ordinary situation of everyday life. A self-absorbed, rather boorish, husband, a pretty, young, not over intellectual, wife, and a fascinating "other" of heroic fame playing the despairing adorer! Given these premises it is not difficult to foretell the outcome.

At a house party given by Lady Rosamund Tatton, is her sister, Lady Jessica Nepean. Lady Jessica's husband fails to realise the truth of Sir Christopher Deering's dictum, that when a man marries a pretty woman unless he continues to make love to her himself some other man will. In this case "the other man" is Edward Falkner, "a modern Don Quixote mounted on Pegasus," who responds to Lady Jessica's insouciant flirtation with the deepest love. Already apprised of his wife's flirtation, Nepean, called away on business, threatens her that one day she will go too far and then he will not spare her. On the breaking up of the house-party Lady Jessica, walking to the station, "takes the wrong turning, not entirely by accident, and arrives at Shepperton instead where Falkner expecting her arrival has had an elaborate dinner prepared. While they are there Nepean's brother enters, and grasping the situation leaves to telegraph to Lady Jessica's husband the facts as they appear to him. Nepean at last learns the facts from Falkner's own lips: "If you think there is anything on Lady Jessica's side but a passing folly and fancy you wrong her, if you think there is anything on my side but the deepest love and devotion you wrong me. Now you have the truth and be damned to you." Sir Christopher Deering dissuades Lady Jessica by his kindly worldly wisdom from the contemplated folly of elopement with Falkner, pours oil on the troubled waters of her husband's anger and persuades Falkner to come with him to Africa to fulfil there the duty which only he can perform, that of dealing with the native chiefs.

Falkner makes the sacrifice of love to duty and leaves Lady Jessica and Nepean reconciled again.

Y. M. C. A.

Well-attended Presidential Reception.

Last evening a well attended reception was given by the President of the European Y.M.C.A., His Excellency Sir Henry May who, with Lady May, received the many guests that responded to the invitations sent out. The rooms were nicely set out and quite a brilliant gathering were present including Miss May, Miss Dixon, Capt. Somerset, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C. and Mrs. Pollock, the Rev. Copley Moyle, the Rev. C. Hickling, Col. St. John and Miss St. John, and many others. After the reception a very enjoyable programme was opened by Miss Dixon who rendered a pianoforte solo in good style. Throughout the evening she played the accompaniments for the other artists in a most efficient manner. His Excellency contributed another of his inimitable Irish recitations, while the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock obliged in the same manner. The vocalist was Mr. G. Lammert who had to respond to two encores, while Miss Lookhart gave a most pleasing violin solo.

H. E.'s Address.

His Excellency, in the course of a short address, said how glad he was to welcome so many of them that evening. That was the first opportunity he had had of seeing the Association and its friends together since his return to the colony, and he was glad to see it animated with a new spirit. It had got the bit between its teeth and was fairly running away. It was not running quite in the direction that they would like it to do. It did not possess golden shekels and silver dollars, but at any rate it was animated by the spirit that could win a race and he appealed to those who were members and those who were not to give it a push forward and help it to win. In his travels he was struck by the Columbia Club at Manila which had been founded by that splendid man, Bishop Bront. That club, and the Y.M.C.A. were just like any other clubs, except in one respect; and that was that they were both teetotal. That was a very great thing.

In Low Water.

Continuing, Sir Henry pointed out that the club in Manila had had the site and the building given them, and he remarked that, if they had the same, they would have a splendid balance sheet at the end of the year but, as they had to pay several thousands of dollars a year in rent, and as they had not profits from the bar, they were naturally in low water. There were two ways of solving the financial difficulty. One was to secure the support of employers of labour. He thought that employers had found in the past that it paid them to have their young men, when they first came to the colony, living in a home like that. The second was for them to increase their membership. With regard to the tennis he had been speaking to the Hon. Mr. Ross in an endeavour to get a piece of ground at East Point, to make into a tennis, and Mr. Ross had given the matter his sympathetic consideration.

The Secretary Mr. F. G. White, also addressed the meeting briefly on the attractions held out to members of the association.

FINED \$250.

Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, fined a Chinese \$250, or in default three months, for being in unlawful possession of four automatic pistols a quantity of ammunition and several cleaning rods. The man was arrested in Connaught Road West, with the arms and ammunition concealed inside his waistcoat.

No State Aid for Calf-Love.

Girls under eighteen and youths under sixteen are forbidden to use the poste restante (where letters are kept for callers) in Pairs for letters marked only with figures or initials, under a new regulation which came into force recently. A postal official, asked by the Matin how the age of an applicant was to be decided, replied, "We shall use psychology. Are we notes well able to decide as the railway officials in determining the age of children 'under seven'?"

WIFE AT ELEVEN.

Terrible Story of Child's Treatment by Mother-in-Law.

A terrible story of the suffering of a child-wife, was told to Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning when a woman was charged with ill-treating her daughter-in-law aged eleven. The child was rescued from a mob by Mr. Francis Dillon, land bailiff, of Kowloon.

Complainant said she was eleven years of age and the defendant was her mother in law. She (defendant) tied her up with a rope on Tuesday.

His Worship:—Where is the rope?

Inspector Cameron:—I don't know.

Why didn't you ask for it?—Well, it was the day after before I knew anything about it.

Head in a Cactus Bush.

Mr. Dillon (the principal witness) I only saved the girl from ill usage. I did not get the rope. There was a general mix up and I took the child away. I have a portion of the evidence here; a cactus spike, which was in her head. She said her head was thrust into a cactus bush.

His Worship:—I thought the rope would have been produced.

Continuing, the child said her head was not put into the cactus bush, and then said it was.

His Worship:—Why were you treated in this way?

Complainant:—Because I wanted to go to see my mother and the defendant objected and brought me back and tied me up.

His Worship:—Has this child been brought to the Registrar General?

Inspector Cameron:—Mr. Dillon went to the Registrar General and reported the matter to him; then he brought it to me.

What did the Registrar General say?

Mr. Dillon:—He said take the case at once to Yau-mat. I went there and saw Inspector Cameron and explained the whole thing to him.

His Worship:—Very well.

Dragged up the Hill.

Francis Dillon said that on the 7th instant at 7-40 p.m. he was working below Kwong Sz Sang shipyard, Cheung-sha-wan. He heard voices and peals of laughter and on looking up the hill he saw a crowd of about twelve people. He saw the child tied up with a rope round her breast and her hands and she was being dragged up the hill. He called out "what is the matter?" The crowd answered "this is a fool." He pushed away those who were hanging on to the child. There was blood on her face, her arms were swollen round her wrists and her head was matted by cactus thorns. The child asked him to take her home to his house—she refused to go to her mother-in-law. He examined her head afterwards and found numerous red blotches caused by the cactus branches. He had her cleaned and her head attended to. The child said she was bound for forty-eight hours and had no food for that period.

Defendant's Story.

Defendant said the child ran into a cactus bush. She feared the child would be bitten by a snake and she could not do any thing. Eventually she got the child from the bush and then tied her up so as to make her go home with her.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$25 or in default one month, and ordered the police to take the child to the Registrar-General.

POSSESSION OF ARMS.

A Compradore Fined.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. O. D. Melbourne, the compradore of Messrs Macdonald & Co., engineers, was charged by Sergeant Grant with dealing in arms, and with being in possession of three Browning pistols, one Mauser pistol and 1,500 rounds of ammunition without permission. The charge of dealing was dismissed, but the charge of unlawful possession was proved and a fine of \$250 was imposed.

Mr. Reader Harris, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, defended.

Body Found.

The body of a Chinese female, age 14 years, has been found on one of the moving bays in the Harbour.

THE FULL COURT.

Alleged Wrongful Detention of a Mortgage Deed.

The appeal in the case of Hang Kwai Ching v. Lo Sut Po, dealing with the alleged wrongful detention of a mortgage deed, was continued this morning, before Sir Haviland de Sausmarez, president, the Chief Justice, Sir W. Lees Davies, K.C., and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz.

Mr. M. W. Slade K.C. instructed by Mr. Needham of Messrs. Ewins and Harston, appeared for the appellant, plaintiff in the original action, and Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings for the respondent, the defendant in the Court below.

The President:—Without treating it as an argument in any way, it seems to us that a considerable hardship would naturally be inflicted upon the plaintiff, assuming that we decide the case in your favour on the arguments such as they are and on the lines the Chief Justice decided, it would be a great hardship that she should not be able to get the deed with the reassignment handed to her so that she may have free title to her property. At the same time, I recognise that your client may feel that he is obliged to take this attitude to safeguard the estate, but still, I would like to know whether you would be prepared irrespective of any question of what order we may make as to costs, in the event of the money being paid into court, to execute and deliver the reassignment.

Mr. Potter:—We desire to keep no one out of the deed at all, but I hope to show you that the only position we could adopt in the circumstances, was the one which we did adopt, and I hope to show that the plaintiff had no right of action at all.

Continuing, counsel urged that in fact she had no interest in the estate of any kind, sort, or description. He would be only too glad to put an end to the unfortunate litigation in which they said they were justified in doing what they did.

Mr. Justice Gompertz:—Supposing the appeal fails; we don't want the plaintiff blocked.

Mr. Potter:—We don't desire the person who is entitled to the deed to be in any way injured. When the time comes I will impress upon you that all we have done, has been done with the best intentions, and we are quite willing to carry out our intentions by assisting the person entitled to ownership to get a clean title.

Mr. Slade:—With regard to the suggestion as to the payment into court, I would point out that the plaintiff has not got the money. That is the difficulty: if the plaintiff had had the money when the condition had been imposed I have no doubt she would have succeeded in getting over the difficulty.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

A GREAT NUISANCE.

Wyndham Street Flower Seller Fined.

In charging a man with hawking without a licence before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, to-day, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, made a complaint. He said that the flower hawkers in Wyndham Street constantly annoyed people, coming out in the middle of the street and mobbing people, especially ladies. There had been complaints about the practice and he had warned them several times that they must not come out from behind their baskets. For some time past there was an improvement. He was going down that street the previous afternoon and he saw a lady with a mob round her in the usual way. He got hold of the defendant and had him sent to the police station. This practice was a great nuisance.

His Worship fined defendant \$2 on the charge of hawking without a licence and cautioned him as regards his conduct. He also told the defendant to inform the rest of the flower sellers that if they were brought before him he would fine them \$5 each.

THE TIGER.

Reported Appearance To-day.

A correspondent writes to say that the tiger has been seen.

Only this morning, he advises us, about four o'clock, a vegetable garden, living at Matsui village, near Kowloon City, met the tiger as he was on his way to his farms. He ran home at once and reported the matter.

Later in the morning many people went out to see the foot marks of the tiger which is believed to be lurking somewhere in the neighbourhood.

JAPANESE NOTE CASE.

Fourth Day's Police Court Hearing.

The eight Japanese who stand charged with being concerned in the possession of notes representing three quarters of a million dollars, forgeries on the Kwang Tung Military Government, were again brought before Mr. O. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this afternoon.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, of Messrs. Dennys, and Bowley prosecuted, while Mr. J. H. Gardiner, and Mr. Reader Harris, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the defence.

The manager of the Tokio Hotel (Isakichi Seki) said the first, second and the fourth defendants came to his hotel on the 17th ult. about eleven in the morning. About half an hour later the third defendant arrived at the hotel. They occupied room No. 13. Whilst the defendants were staying at his place they were visited by a Chinese. The photograph, produced, was one of the Chinese who called upon the defendants on the 19th ult. His name was Po Ching. On the 21st ult. the defendant Nagao asked him to get some coolies.

He called a coolie. Witness went up to defendant's room with one of the room-boys, and they asked the room-boy to carry a box outside the room. The box was heavy and witness assisted the boy to carry it out. He observed to the defendants that it was very heavy and asked them what it contained. They answered that it contained magazines. He also called a second coolie and the box was carried down to the entrance of the hotel. The four defendants followed the coolies with the box down the stairs. When Nagao was spoken to about coolie hire he said "Don't you mind; I don't care how much I have to pay." They then walked along Des Voeux Road towards the Post Office.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE.

Message of Protest Sent to Mr. Wilson.

The following message has been sent to President-Elect Wilson at Trenton by the "Cablonews American," Manila.

"Woodrow Wilson—Trenton:—After thirteen years struggle against war, pestilence and crop failures, the Philippines are now entering a period of prosperity. The more responsible Filipinos regard their Independence as a calamity. Your Staunton utterances cause grave alarm and a serious economic crisis is threatened. We earnestly urge you not to commit yourself definitely without careful original investigation."

In this connection Mr. J. A. Scott, who has large interests in the Islands, when seen to-day, said that the effect of the eight years' provisional Government, contemplated by the so-called Jones Bill, the passage of which seems assured, according to President Wilson's speech at Staunton, Penn., will be very questionable.

This bill, he says, provides that the Philippine Commission shall be done away with. That the Democratic Party would break down the efficiency of the service before the Filipinos had had instilled into them a reasonable amount of education, was unexpected from so level-headed a man as Mr. Wilson.

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Interport Football Match.

Undoubtedly the better team won yesterday when the Probables met the Army and Navy at football, and secured a victory by 2 goals to nil. The Army and Navy, it is true, had to play substitutes in some cases, Wilson, who had had luck in shooting on several occasions, playing inside right. The two goals that the Probables secured were both well earned, and the first came ten minutes after the start from a movement initiated by Pennell. He secured the ball and accurately passed it to Pearson who in turn transferred it to Green. The latter was in an excellent position to shoot, and completely beat Moore with a high shot.

Later the Army and Navy transferred play to the Probables and pressed for all they were worth, but Hamilton and Colmer proved equal to most occasions, save when Wilson managed to test the custodian. Pennell got through after an individual effort and sent in a stinger which just missed the mark, while a few minutes later Pearson netted the ball again, thus scoring the second point. Play until half time was comparatively uninteresting, and consisted mainly of some very even exchanges.

Had the service men continued to play throughout as well as they commenced the second half, they might have made the ultimate result quite different, but play fell off very considerably, save for one very excellent spurt. Mees on the right, with Wilson, who played very finely all through, had a fine run up field and passing in to the latter gave him an excellent opportunity for a shot. The ball hit the upright and rebounded into play, while a few seconds later, Swan in saving fell over the ball, and while lying on the ground, succeeded in getting the ball away and saving what looked to be an almost inevitable point.

There was no alteration in the score, and the Probables ran out winners by 2-0.

Teams.—Probables:—Swan, goal; Colmer, and Hamilton; Campbell, Barlow and Wilkie; Lewis, Green, Pearson, Pennell and Dolman.

Army and Navy:—Moore, goal; Riddle and Court; Burt, Barry and Eldershaw; Mees, Wilson, Bray, Merton and Walker.

DON'T FORGET.

To-Night.

Allan Wilkie Co. Theatre Royal.

Tournament. Hongkong Chess Club.

Friday, Jan. 10.

Engineers' Institute Dance 9 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 13.

Entries Close for H.K. Football Shield Competition.

Tuesday, Jan. 14.

Extraordinary General Meeting. The Hongkong Shipping and Trading Co. Ltd. noon.

Saturday, Jan. 25.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club Regatta.

Race Entries Close.

Tuesday, Jan. 28.

Y. M. C. A. "At Home"

FLIGHT OVER SAN FRANCISCO.

At an average height of more than 2,500 feet Mr. Robert Fowler the aviator sailed above San Francisco recently, watched by crowds in nearly every street in the city. At no time during the 30 minutes' trip was the aerial navigator in distress or danger.

Rising like a bird from the parade grounds at the Presidio Mr. Fowler, who recently completed a coast to coast flight, turned his machine directly toward the sun. He rose to a height of several hundred feet and circled several miles around the Presidio before attempting to head for the city.

Finally, when nearly 2,500 feet above the bay, he turned toward the ferry building. He encircled the ferry tower several times, dipped in and out of the fog banks, then turned west and sailed up over Market street to a point above Van Ness avenue. He turned back several times and sailed up and down Market street, looking for a chance to light on the Empress theatre, where he is appearing in vaudeville for the week, but was unable to make the attempt. Instead he turned back toward the Presidio and lighted, with a beautiful spiral glide, on the parade ground at 12-30 o'clock.

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**The Hokkaido Colliery Steamship
Company.**

The shareholders of the Hokkaido Colliery Steamship Company, which, says the "Japan Chronicle," for some time has been involved in financial difficulties, have been considering the question of readjusting the affairs of the company. Count Watanabe, Minister of the Imperial Household, who holds a large number of shares on behalf of the Imperial House, has made strenuous efforts to bring about a compromise between the shareholders and the Mitsui firm on the question of the company's affairs. On Saturday (21st instant) a committee formed to consider readjustment measures discussed the compromise proposed by Count Watanabe, who advised the reduction of the company's capital by ¥9,000,000, one-third of the total amount, and the issue of new preferential shares to the same amount. The committee agreed to adopt this proposal. On the 23rd ult. it was agreed among those concerned to readjust the company's affairs on the following terms:—

- 1.—The amount (Y1,800,000) of the capital remaining unpaid to be called up.
- 2.—The capital (Y27,000,000) of the company to be reduced by one-third (Y9,000,000), and new preferential shares with an interest of 7½ per cent. being issued for Y9,000,000.
- 3.—The Mitsui Bank to advance money to those shareholders who subscribe to the new preferential shares.
- 4.—The restriction against paying a dividend for a certain period to be removed, and a dividend paid after providing for the reduction of the loss now outstanding.

The P. and O. Meeting—Interest- ing Comment.

Rather more than usual interest attached to the annual meetings of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, says the "L. and C. Express," owing to the various rumours which have been circulating for so many months past as to the probability of the company absorbing or being absorbed by other undertakings. It may be hoped that Sir Thomas Sutherland's very emphatic denial of their truth will now put an end to their further circulation. Moreover, there has never been any negotiations concerning the sale of the company's business to any combine, or for the purchase by the company of any other shipping interest with the same object in view. Sir Thomas left the subject with the expression of the hope that "we shall be less troubled by these speculators in the future than has lately been the case this year." Although the rumours alluded to have accentuated the upward movement of the deferred stock, there can be no doubt that it was in the main based on sure foundation. While on the one hand the Chairman described the past year as being somewhat chequer-boarded in character, alluding especially to the strikes and the maritime losses, on the other hand he went on to show that the company was doing excellently, and that, notwithstanding the heavy losses, they were able to pay the shareholders a larger dividend than has been paid for a great many years. He naturally also regarded the issue of the new capital at a premium of 10 per cent. as a very satisfactory operation. Sir Thomas also alluded to the serious competition with the Siberian Railway, and to similar competition from the Further East with the Pacific route through America and through Canada, but it is interesting to note that he views the opening of the Panama Canal with equanimity. The directors, he said, felt no particular anxiety as to any possible effect on the company. They were rather inclined to believe that if the American world sets out travelling to the Far East by that route, it will in all probability benefit the services of the company on the homeward journey.

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LOG BOOK.

Port of Rotterdam.

The monthly trade figures of the port of Rotterdam continue to show a regular and rapid expansion. The figures for the eleven months of the current year, when compared with 1911, show further increase of 565 ships and of 883,055 tons. Compared with the totals in the same period of last year, 9,271 vessels and 10,822,909 tons, there has been an increase of over 6 per cent. in the number of ships which called at the port and of over 8 per cent. in the tonnage. Rotterdam is now an easy second on the Continent. The first place, as a financial contemporary points out, is still held by Hamburg, where the tonnage in the eleven months of the current year amounted to 12,623,102 tons, say 918,000 more than in Rotterdam; the third place is held by Antwerp with 10,687,365 tons, which is 1,018,000 less than Rotterdam. In the past eleven months the increase in Antwerp was 316,584 tons, or 3 per cent.; in Hamburg, 607,615, or 5 per cent.; in Rotterdam it amounted to 883,055, equal to over 8 per cent. Measures are now being taken by the Dutch Government for further improving the Rotterdam waterway in order to cope with the increasing traffic.

The Future of Marine Motors.

In his presidential address delivered to the members of the Institute of Marine Engineers, Mr. Summer Hunter dealt with the following points in connection with marine oil engines:—The development of the oil engine had, he said, been so rapid that there were as many, or possibly more, varieties of the oil engine than of the steam engine. On inland waters, and for short coastal voyages, there were now some hundreds of oil-driven vessels at work, chiefly of low power and slow speed. Of ocean-going vessels there were at present about six of 3,000 tons up to 6,000 tons deadweight at sea; four of which had engines on the 4-stroke system, and two or three on the 2-stroke. But he believed there were at least 27 or 28 others under construction, of which 17 would have

4-stroke engines, nine 2-stroke single-acting, and two or three 2-stroke double-acting, the sizes of the vessels varying from 2,000 tons deadweight up to 15,000 tons.

Of electrically-driven vessels, there was the United States naval collier Jupiter, of about 12,000 tons d.w. Another electrically vessel of 2,000 tons d.w. was under construction at the Walls and shipyard of Messrs. Swan Hunter, and Wigham Richardson, Ltd. The American vessel had Curtis turbines as a prime mover, while the Tyne-built vessel would have Diesel engines, the correct revolutions of the propeller being obtained by the use of the polyphase alternating current system. Within a year or two they would be able to make a practical comparison of all these systems. There was another important problem in connection with marine Diesel engines, namely, that of propeller efficiency. Up to now it would appear that the economy of the Diesel engine was so great that a considerable amount of propeller inefficiency could be disregarded. All the same, he had but little doubt that in the near future the revolutions of the oil engine would more nearly approximate to those of the steam engine, and then the oil engine would show a still greater economy. The superiority of a heat engine of the internal combustion type was undisputed, but they could not afford to limit their consideration to that feature only. There was the question of reliability, the two essential tests of which were continuity of running at an intended speed, and ability to stand up to the stresses of heavy weather. For the latter the only really adequate test must be made under severe conditions on the open sea. Assume that the conditions were such that the vessel could not be driven at her normal speed without serious risk of having the decks swept and hatches broken in; speed must then be reduced according to circumstances sometimes so far that only steering way was maintained. Then came the real test for the engine, and it was the actual behaviour of the ship and engine

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Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Sambia	H. A. L.	14 January
do do	Altmark	H. A. L.	27 January
Rotterdam, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Fuerst Buelow	H. A. L.	24 January
do do	Armenia	H. A. L.	15 January
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	1 February
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Duneric	Bank Line	Begin January
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	Canton	A. N. & Co.	15 January
Marseilles	Goldenfels	H. A. L.	8 February
Trieste via Singapore, Penang & Colombo, &c.	Koerber	S. W. & Co.	19 January
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Boston and New York	Lovai	D. & Co.	28 Jan., about
New York via Ports and Suez Canal	Swazi	S. T. & Co.	11 Jan., about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Nippon Maru	T. K. K.	11 January
Victoria, Vancouver, B.C., Seattle & Tacoma, &c.	Orion	Bank Line	15 January
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Sado Maru	N. Y. K.	14 January
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Mexico Maru	O. S. K.	5 February
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Seattle Maru	O. S. K.	23 January
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	11 January
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	8 March

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Yawata Maru	N. Y. K.	15 January
do do	Coblentz	M. & Co.	25 January
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Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kutsum	J. M. & Co.	11 January
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Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Coylon Maru	N. Y. K.	11 January
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Rangoon Maru	N. Y. K.	20 January
Bombay via Singapore and Penang	Capri	C. & Co.	10 January
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Yokohama and Kobe	Fulula	J. M. & Co.	14 January
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Kobe and Yokohama	Atsuta Maru	N. Y. K.	16 January
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	15 January
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	14 January
do do	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	17 January
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	15 January
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	12 January
Tsingtau, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Dalny	Kalgan	B. & S.	10 January
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do do	Magellan	M. M. Co.	13 January
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do do	Jelunga	D. S. & Co.	17 January
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under such severe service conditions that they had to study. As regards the different cycles on which Diesel engines worked, he was of opinion that cargo boats up to about 4,000-h.p. were most economically run on the four-stroke system. Although these engines were a trifle bigger, heavier, and somewhat more costly than a two-stroke of the same power, yet they effected a saving in fuel economy of some 10 or 15 per cent. Experiments were being made in this country with a combination of internal combustion engine and steam, the exhaust gases being used in a special boiler for raising steam, but he thought the time was hardly yet ripe for that. That economical position of the oil engine was entirely controlled by the price of oil. It has been demonstrated that the cost of oil should not exceed three or four times the cost of coal. Much had been written and said about the motor or gas-driven warship, but as yet little had been done beyond realising the advantage of a deck free from funnels, and easily protected from attack by air-craft. Before long they might see warships of all sizes specially designed for local waters, leaving the long voyage or ocean-going warship to be a different design altogether. It

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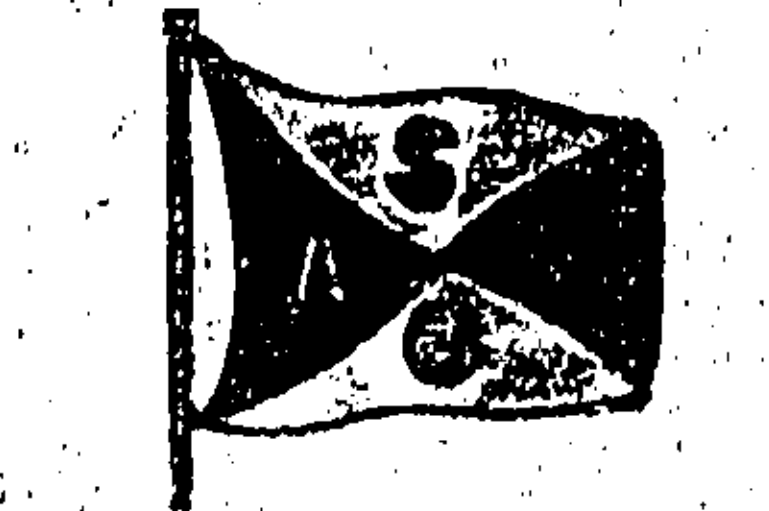
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these special vessels were to be oil-driven, as was more than likely, then we should be up and doing. If it were possible to produce a warship with a clear deck, such as he had indicated—whether the vessels were driven by coal or oil—it would be the superior fighting machine. The warship and the merchant vessels were on an entirely different basis so far as the cost of oil was concerned. Shipping Gazette.

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The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru, left Yokohama for Honolulu and San Francisco on the 31st ult., and is due at San Francisco on the 16th January.

The P. M. s.s. Korea, with the American mail, sailed for this port from San Francisco via Honolulu; the usual Japan ports and Manila on the 27th ult.

The T. K. K. s.s. Tenyo Maru, with U. S. mails is expected to arrive at this port on the 10th inst., between 6 and 8 a.m.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The Yokohama office of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Royal Mail Steamship Line is in receipt of a wireless message from the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, sent at 7 p.m. on Sunday, when the vessel was 1,580 miles distant from Japan, advising all well, and that the Commander expects to reach Yokohama on the 10th inst., at 6 a.m.

The C. P. R. s.s. Monteagle, which left here on the 14th ult., arrived at Vancouver on the 5th inst., at 4 p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. s.s. Hongkong Maru, left Honolulu for Manzanillo on the 31st ult., where she is due on the 12th January.

The s.s. Shimosa sailed from New York on the 24th Nov., for Far East, via the Straits.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. Laisang, from Singapore, is due at Hongkong on the 12th inst.

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The P. & O. s.s. Sardinia, left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., at 7 a.m., and is due here on the 13th inst., at about 8 a.m.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co's s.s. Yeddo, left Suez on the 2nd inst., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 27th inst.

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The s.s. Dunedin, sailed from Singapore on the 4th inst., and is therefore due here on or about 10th inst.

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The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru, arrived at Yokohama from Honolulu on the 2nd January, and is due here on the 18th January.

VESSELS IN-PORT.

Steamers.

Alaority, Br. Naval despatch vessel, 1700, U. L. Lamb, 1st Jan.—Shanghai 26th Dec.

Eiger, Ger. s.s., 778, E. Fingabesen, 4th Jan.—Haiphong 3rd Jan., Gen.—J. & Co.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 5,940, A. Hailey, 21st Dec.—Vancouver, B.C., 28th Nov., Mail & Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

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Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 899, T. Somekawa, 8th Jan.—Swatow 7th Jan., Gen.—O. S. K.

Fushiki Maru, Jap. s.s., Tanaka, 8th Jan.—Wakamatsu 1st Jan., Coal.—M. B. K.

Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 743, A. Cornillon, 6th Jan.—Haiphong and Pakhoi 4th Jan., Gen.—Marty.

Kutsang, Br. s.s., 4,395, R. C. D. Bradley, 5th Jan.—Moji 1st Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,093, W. G. G. Leask, 7th Jan.—Manila 4th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Nippon Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,432, A. G. Stoves, 3rd Jan.—San Francisco 7th Dec., Mail etc.—T. K. K.

Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,204, D. Reimers, 5th Jan.—Bangkok 24th Dec., Rice and Gen.—M. & Co.

Pongtong, Ger. s.s., 998, Foteuhr, 6th Jan.—Bangkok 25th Dec., Rice and Teak.—B. & S.

Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,142, H. Madson, 3rd Jan.—Swatow 2nd Jan., Ballast.—B. & S.

Sabino Rickmers, Dutch s.s., 573, Vries, 8th Jan.—Canton 7th Jan., Ballast.—A. P. & Co.

Sado Maru, Jap. s.s., K. Asakawa, 7th Jan.—Shanghai 4th Jan., Coal.—O. S. K.

Saigon Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,259, Yamaguchi, 29th Dec.—Moji 23rd Dec., Coal.—O. S. K.

Shuntein, Br. s.s., 1,085, Heppell, 7th Jan.—Canton 6th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Szechuen, Br. s.s., 1,143, Cowen, 25th Dec.—Canton 24th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Taming, Br. s.s., 1,542, Plunket, 3rd Jan.—Manila 31st Dec., Ballast.—B. & S.

Tamsui, Br. s.s., 919, W. J. French, 1st Jan.—Swatow 31st Dec., Ballast.—B. & S.

Too Sul, Fr. s.s., 981, N. P. Marckussen, 7th Jan.—Foochow 5th Jan., Gen.—M. B. K.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, 8th inst., at 10 a.m. All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst., will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 2nd Jan., 1913. [1024]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENDORAN."

From ANTWERP, MDULESBRO.

LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognized.

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 8th Jan., 1913. [1040]

THE "INDRA" LINE LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA

SUZUKI CANAL.

THE Steamship

"INDRAMAYO."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 9th Jan., at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 9th inst., at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
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 Hongkong, 4th Jan., 1913. [1038]

Notices



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The above mentioned vessel having arrived Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on SATURDAY, 4th Jan., at 5 p.m., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, the 10th inst., afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown and examination of same to be held on SATURDAY 11th inst., at 10 a.m. All claims must be filed on or before 17th inst., otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORIMOTO,
 Agent.
 Hongkong 3rd Jan., 1913. [1029]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVI-
GATION CO., LTD.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.THE Company's Steamship
"POOKSANG"

having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. the 8th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 7th Jan., 1913. [1038]

A Hopeful Couple.

M. and Madame Wiart, valet and lady's maid respectively, in the employ of M. Casenave, the Minister Plenipotentiary of France in Peking, have been sentenced to five years' and two years' imprisonment respectively in Paris. It appears that after occupying the posts mentioned for three years, in May last they voluntarily left their situations, and a few days after departure Madame Casenave discovered that they had pilaged not only her apartment in the Avenue de Malakoff, Paris, but also her house at Chennevières in the department of Seine-et-Oise.

Drawing-room furniture, ornaments, and jewels had disappeared valued at about £15,000, and the whole of the goods were found on the premises of the Wiart couple at Dury (Pas-de-Calais).

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Hongkong, 7th Jan., 1913. [1037]



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HUXLEY V. WOOTTON.

"An Action for Extorting
 Money."

In the Chancery Division, Mr. Justice Eve has had before him a motion in the action of Huxley v. Wootton.

Mr. P. O. Lawrence said this was a motion to dismiss the action which had been brought in the name of an infant, and make the next best friend of the infant pay the costs of the action, or alternatively, that the action was not for the benefit of the infant. The writ was in the name of William Huxley, by Ernest Austin Huxley, the father and next best friend, and was issued against Mr. Richard Wootton, the well-known Epsom trainer.

It was set out in the claim that the infant, who was apprenticed to Mr. Wootton, was entitled to certain large sums of money which Mr. Wootton had received for the plaintiff and refused to account. The plaintiff claimed an account of all sums received and paid by defendant and payment of the amount due. The infant was articulated to Wootton for four years, and was to receive 10s. per week, board and lodgings, tuition, etc. There were also terms as to fees for riding.

A Clever Pupil.

Young Huxley turned out to be an extraordinarily good pupil, and rode winners in his first year. Huxley's father left Sydney, New South Wales, about a year after his son had been apprenticed, and came to England, leaving his wife and other children without any money in Australia. Since his arrival in England the father had been a source of annoyance both to Wootton and his son. He was now betting

and touting on racetracks, and that was one of the things which prejudiced a jockey very much, as it might be presumed that he was getting tips or the secrets of the stable.

William Huxley had been so successful that he had earned very large sums under the agreement, and at the boy's request money had been, from time to time, sent to his mother for the maintenance of the family. The sums the lad had earned were something extraordinary for such a boy, and he had one retainer of £1,000 a year.

Tried to Get Money

There was no doubt, added counsel, that the father had come to this country to try to trade on his son. What happened recently was that Richard Wootton had to go to Australia in connection with business, and the elder Huxley got to hear of that. About a fortnight before Wootton sailed Huxley tried to get money from him and the result was that a summons was taken out by Huxley against Wootton for assault, but was withdrawn at the last moment. The writ in this case was served on Wootton at Victoria Station on his way to Dover, and again at that port in case he had been missed at Victoria. Therefore no instructions were available from Mr. Wootton himself, but he had material to show plainly that it was a case in which it would not be to the benefit of the infant for the action to proceed.

No Private Means.

Council then read affidavits in support of his application, including affidavits from Huxley, the jockey, and his mother.

Mr. Nesbitt, for Huxley, then read an affidavit rebutting certain of the statements.

His Lordship: Mr. Huxley has been a jockey. What is he now?

Mr. Nesbitt said he did not think he was doing anything now.

His Lordship: Has he private means?

Mr. Nesbitt: No, I understand he is impecunious.

Mr. Nesbitt said Mr. Huxley, then, was quite willing that any moneys earned by the jockey should be paid to the mother, if his son so wished, and he was also willing to have an account taken, and if money was found to be payable to his son he would not attempt to get it into his possession. But if the boy did not want all the money sent to his mother Mr. Huxley was willing the money should be paid into court pending the action, so that he could not touch it, and so that it could not be said he was bringing this action to get the money into his own hands.

Mr. Nesbitt contended that there was no precedent for an action by a father as next friend of an infant being dismissed.

His Lordship: You might almost say the son is the next friend here to the father. (Laughter.)

Action Dismissed.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said Mr. Nesbitt had expressed his willingness to submit to an inquiry in Chambers by a Master as to whether the action was for the benefit of the lad, but he had a constitutional dislike to defer anything that he could do himself to the decision of other people. There were few fathers in the position of Mr. Huxley who would have the effrontery to commence an action of that kind. He believed this action had been brought for the purpose of extorting money, and it would be dismissed with costs against the next friend.

This action, says the "Sporting Chronicle," was not brought by Willie Huxley, for although the action was brought in his name that jockey had the greatest antipathy to the action. Both Willie Huxley and E. Huxley live with Mr. Wootton at Epsom, and they have always been on the most friendly, not to say affectionate, terms. They have the greatest respect and gratitude for Mr. Wootton for all he has done for them. He has acted not only as a most efficient teacher of the art of race-riding, but as a kind father. The result of the action will meet the appreciation of sportsmen.

Vice-Consul at Kobe.

The King has been pleased to appoint Mr. Hugh Archibald Fisher Horne to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Kobe.

COMMERCIAL.

Home Articles of Export.

Dec. 13.

Messrs. J. F. Hutton and Co., Limited, advise under date Dec. 12—Liverpool cotton: mid-American, spot, to-day 707d., last week 697d.; do., current month, to-day 681d., last week 670d. F.G.F. Egyptian, spot, to-day 1005d., last week 1005d.; New York cotton, spot, yesterday 61300, last week 61275. Liverpool stock (all kinds of cotton) 6th inst.:—1,034,980 bales this year, 638,180 bales last year; visible supply (all kinds), 5,640,000 bales this year. The total export and import trade in cotton textiles is a record for the year, exceeding the largest year already, so the trade for December will be in excess in value and quantity above any previous year. The last two or three days a fair business has been in evidence for the China markets. India continues buying on an unusually large scale considering the prices of Cotton Yarns and Textiles now ruling.

Home Commercial and Produce Markets.

December 13, 1913.

The Bank rate remains unchanged at 5 per cent. The Open market rate for short loans is 4 to 4½ per cent, and discount of four months' Bank bills 4½ to 4½-16 per cent. The Silver market was very steady during the earlier part of the week, but the tone has since been rather easier, bars being quoted 29 9-16d. per oz. The Rubber share market has been very active, and quotations in almost all cases show advances. The report of the Pekin Syndicate shows that the undivided profit has been increased during the year by some £28,000, and now reaches the respectable total of £440,000. There is still no hint of a dividend. The Eastern Extension and Eastern Telegraph Companies have announced the usual quarterly dividends. Meetings have been held of the P. and O. Steam Navigation Company and the P. and O. Consolidated Company. In China Tea a quiet business is passing at steady rates. Coffee has met with fair demand at prices showing little change. Sugar has been quiet and easier. Both Singapore Pepper and White Pepper are dull, with little doing. Rice continues quiet, but prices are steady. Manila Hemp has ruled weak, with little business. Plantation Rubber has been rather irregular, closing easier after being firmer, good average Sheet being now quoted at about 4s. 6d. per lb. Fine Hard Para is 4s. 7½d. per lb. Straits Tin is £228 to £226 10s. for cash, and £225 10s. to £226 for three months.

Home Tea Market.

December 6.

Messrs. Wm. Jas and Hy. Thompson's Weekly Tea Circular advises:—The market has recovered from the recent depression, and the improved tone has developed into a quotable advance in prices for all tea up to good medium standard with exception of lowest common grades. The quality of supplies shows no improvement, but a brisk demand and active competition have kept the best qualities fully steady, while good common to medium kinds have advanced about 1-4d. per lb. China: Arrival, Naniar, 1895 packages and 808 in transit. Public sales amounting to about 2,000 pkgs. were offered, and a larger proportion of the offerings than usual was sold. Privately—More contracts have passed this week in medium to good medium grades from 9d. to 1s. per lb., and a few fine quality Ningchow and Keemun have changed hands at reasonable rates. Commonest kinds are slow of sale, and almost neglected, but at the same time the low level of value seems to be attracting rather more attention. Java: Offerings during the week, 4,945 pkgs., against 2,154 pkgs. last year; total from Jan. 1 to date, 202,381 pkgs., against 117,118 pkgs. last year. The sale passed with a firm tone, and in sympathy with Indians there was a good inquiry for all grades, and in many cases advances were established on last week's prices. The best averages were—Goolpara, 10d.; Tanawatte, Malabar, 9½d. The average for the whole sale on Garden account is 7½d. per lb., compared with 6-8d. per lb. a year ago.

COMMERCIAL

Commercial Openings in China.

The "Bulletin Commercial" (Brussels) notifies, on the authority of the Belgian Legation at Peking, that there are considerable openings in China for furniture and other utensils necessary for the equipment of hairdressing saloons. The reason for this is attributed to the fact that, whereas formerly these saloons were patronised chiefly by foreigners, Chinese have of late taken to the habit of having their hair closely cut in the European style.

Chinese Finance—Meeting in London.

As a result of the conference that have taken place in Peking between the representatives of the Six Power Group and the Minister of Finance, certain verbal understandings were arrived at, and it was decided that a meeting be held in London. This meeting was held on Dec. 13 in the offices of the Chinese Central Railways, at 3, Lombard-street, and was attended by the principals of the Six Power Group. As the Times correspondent at Peking puts it: to them is confided the important task of deciding to what degree they are prepared to supply China's requirements for ready money pending the problematical date at which it will be possible to float a loan. The subject is of extreme importance, as the failure of these negotiations may lead either to the bankruptcy of China or to the disappearance of the international unity which is the best guarantee of a prosperous future. Apart from this, another matter that has been interesting a section of the public is as to the future constitution of the British element of the group. Rumour has it that the British section is broadened in the direction of the formation of a strong financial syndicate to co-operate with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in any Chinese loans which may be placed upon the market here in the future. In this connection the names most prominently mentioned have been those of Messrs. J. Henry Schroder & Co., and Baring Brothers, Parry Bank and the London County and Westminster. If such proves to be the case we may remember the Hongkong and Shanghai has, as a result of all the sowing it has done, a great claim to "pre-eminence" in view of its historic associations with China. These are fully recognised in financial circles, but others felt that all the circumstances of the case called for British finance being more completely represented. We understand that Mr. Birch Clegg has not waived Clause 14 of his contract, but that he has stated "negotiations are in progress." When negotiations were resumed with the Six Power group, the Far Eastern Agency states the consortium proposed four points. (1) The Chinese Government to designate special negotiators authorised by the Minister, in order that negotiations may be carried on with responsible persons. (2) The Chinese Government to annul article 14 of the Crip loan, which gives a preference to the firm for loans. (3) The Government to demonstrate to the consortium the organisation and working of the Audit Bureau so that the consortium can appreciate the guarantees thus provided. (4) The project of the reorganisation of the salt tax shall not necessarily be connected with the Customs administration. China may herself provide for this, but she shall engage herself to employ Europeans as inspectors, under the authority of Chinese directors. The Chinese Government declared itself satisfied on the first point. On the subject of the second, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank must negotiate an agreement with the Crip firm, an agreement which China would ratify. The Chinese Government also accepts points three and four. Thus the only matter in suspense is the Crip question.

The Rance of Sarawak.

The Rance of Sarawak gave a Christmas tea and entertainment in the patients of the Royal Hospital for incurable, Putney Heath.

CANADA'S GOVERNMENT RAILWAY UNPROFITABLE.

The Canadian Government railway cannot be said to be profitable. Usually there has been a deficit which the national treasury has had to supply. This is due to the nature of the country through which the road runs, the unscientific route it takes for commercial purposes, the peculiar local accommodations which it gives the people, the severe water competition from which it suffers, its lower rates for passengers and freight, and, until recently, the inability of the government to maintain the strictest business management on account of the "politics" with which it has been shackled.

Yet, with all these serious drawbacks, the net earnings of the road, paid by its managers to the Receiver-General last year, came to more than £120,000; and this in spite of unusual expenditures on betterments and increase of employees. For example, within the last three years the wages of the road's employees have been increased £60,000 and the number of men in the road's shops has been doubled. Of course, in computing this net revenue, no interest was charged off against capital account. If the road had had to pay interest on bonds and dividends on its stock more than £18,000,000 that has been spent in its construction and equipment, the revenues of the road would not nearly pay its expenses.—Albert J. Beveridge in Review of Reviews.

Notices

NOTICE.

WE have from this date ceased to act as the General Representatives at this port, for Messrs The Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co., and no longer hold their Power of Attorney.

Mr. ALAN GRIFITHS COPIER having severed his connection with us, no longer holds our Power of Attorney.

BRADLEY & CO.
Hongkong, 1st Jan., 1913. [1017]

NOTICE.

WE have to advise that our business has from this day been conducted under a Private Company under the style of
BRADLEY & COMPANY LTD.
Our Senior Mr. Thomas William Richardson will be the first Governing Director.

BRADLEY & CO.
Swatow, Hongkong and Shanghai
3rd December, 1912
Hongkong, 1st Jan., 1913. [1018]

NOTICE.

WE have this day taken over the business of Bradley & Co.
BRADLEY & CO., LTD.
Swatow, Hongkong and Shanghai
1st January, 1913. [1019]

NOTICE.

THE NESTLE AND ANGLO-SWISS CONDENSED MILK COMPANY.

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Hongkong, 31st Dec., 1912 [1015]

Entertainments

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ALLAN WILKIE

AND FULL LONDON CO.
Including the Talented
Actress,
MISS FREDISWYDE
HUNTER-WATTS.

For Short Season
Commencing on Jan. 6th.

TO-NIGHT.

THE LIARS

JANUARY 10th

Mrs. WARREN'S PROFESSION

JANUARY 11th

TWELFTH NIGHT

(Matinee)

SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL

(Evening)

JANUARY 13th

SALOME

JANUARY 14th

TAMING OF THE SHREW

JANUARY 15th

THE SECOND Mrs. TANQUERAY

JANUARY 16th

THE CARDINAL

JANUARY 17th

TRILBY

Curtain at 9.15 p.m. Sharp.

Matinee at 3.00 p.m.

Prices: \$3.50, 3.00 2.00 and 1.00.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform

Half Price.

LATE PEAK TRAM.

Booking at MOUTRIE'S.

BIJOU.

9.15 TO-NIGHT 9.15

ALL NEW PICTURES.

Two Sets of Keys

(Comic by Prince).

A Generous-Hearted Woman

(Drama).

The Barber's Wife

(Comic).

A Helping Hand

(Comic).

A Day Off

(Comic).

Miss BARROLA (Acrobatic).

AND

Miss ADA ROWLEY

(Balladist).

Miss GLADYS SPENCER

(Soubrette).

Miss DOLLY SWIFT

(Comedian).

7.15 PICTURES ONLY 7.15

VICTORIA THEATRE.

SATURDAY 4TH.

Debut of the

GIBSON GIRLS.

Great Success of

Miss NELLIE MAHER.

Look out for the Wonderful Picture.

Faults of Others; in 3 parts.

Notices

NOTICE.

WE have admitted Mr. JOHN SCOTT HARTSON a partner in our firm as from this date, which will hereafter be carried on under the name of DEACON LOOKER DEACON and HARTSON.

DEACON LOOKER & DEACON.

Hon Kong, 1st Jan., 1913. [1020]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. JOHN SOMERVILLE DOBIE has joined me in partnership in my business of a Share and General Broker as from the 1st January 1913, which business will as heretofore be carried on under the name of VERNON AND SMYTH.

Dated the 3rd December, 1912.

FRANK SMYTH.

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Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York.

London Office: 35, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES:—

Bombay
Calcutta
Canton
Colon
Cebu
Hankow
Harbin
Hongkong
Kobe
London
Lyons
Manila
Peking
San Francisco
Shanghai
Tientsin
Tokyo

Capital and Reserve: \$100,000,000 (Gold)

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS

DEPOSITS: RECEIVED, paid for one year, 4 1/2 per annum, or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities in the world.

THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.

COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.

PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.

TRAVELLERS' CHECKS sold and cashed.

GEORGE HOGG.

Managing.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912 [19]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

Authorised Capital Yen 48,000,000

Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000

Reserve Fund " 17,500,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Antung-Hsien, Nagasaki, Boshu, Newchwang, Calcutta, New York, Changchun, Osaka, Dairen, Peking, Fengtien, Ryojun Port, Harbin, (Arthur), Hankow, San Francisco, Honolulu, Shanghai, Kobe, Tientsin, Liao-Yang, Tientsin, London, Tokyo, Lyons.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

Notices

NOTICE.

WE the undersigned beg to state that we have taken over the proprietorship of the Boa Vista Hotel, Macao, from the 1st January, 1913, and though we hold ourselves responsible for all debts contracted from that date in connection with the Hotel, we do not hold or accept any responsibility for any debts contracted previous to that date.

G. A. WATKINS, HARRY KELLY.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD.

ENTRIES for the above competition will close on Monday 13th inst.

A meeting will be held that evening in the Y.M.C.A. rooms at 5.30 to make all necessary arrangements.

Each team entered is invited to send a representative.

A. HAMILTON, Hon. Secretary.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(Capital Paid up...\$1,250,000.)

General Mortgage of Home Property and Goods, ready for Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise, Loans made on Partly Provident System. (Rates and particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.

Underwritten and Executed by SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1908 [82]

Medals and Fines Cakes 50 and 60 cents per lb. Wedding and Birth-day Cakes from \$1.00 per lb.

ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.

Banks

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL: \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND: \$15,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF FNO: \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS: F. H. ARMSTRONG, Esq., Chairman; S. H. DODWELL, Esq., Deputy Chairman; G. F. FRISVOLD, Esq., J. A. FRISVOLD, Esq., G. H. GIBBY, Esq., G. H. LAUREN, Esq., F. LEE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—N. J. STARR.

SHANGHAI—A. G. STEWART.

LONDON—W. L. PATTERSON.

HONGKONG—N. J. STARR.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital: £1,200,000

Reserve Fund: £1,650,000

Proprietors: £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHE BANK.

Capital Fully Paid-up: Sh. Tael 7,500,000

Head Office.—Shanghai.

Board of Directors.—Berlin.

Branches: Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hamburg, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsinanfu, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

—LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons, The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital: £1,500,000

Subscribed: 1,125,000

Paid Up: 562,500

Reserve Fund: 365,000

HEAD OFFICE: 40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES: Bombay, Kandy, Calcutta, Galle, Howrah, Singapore, Delhi, Penang, Madras, Kota Bahru, Kelantan, Karachi, Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., Rangoon, Hongkong, Colombo, Shanghai.

AGENTS IN JAPAN: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

BANKERS: Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

F. O. MACDONALD, Manager.

Exchange

Selling.

T/T Demand: 2/ 15/16

30 d/s: 2/ 11/16

60 d/s: 2/ 11/16

4 m/s: 2/ 11/16

T/T Shanghai: 2/ 11/16

T/T Singapore: 2/ 11/16

T/T Japan: 2/ 11/16

T/T India: 2/ 11/16

Demand India: 2/ 11/16

Demand Manila: 2/ 11/16

T/T San Fco & New York: 2/ 11/16

T/T Java: 2/ 11/16

T/T Marks: 2/ 11/16

T/T Francs: 2/ 11/16

Subsidiary Coins.

Discount per \$100

Chinese 20 cts. pieces: 6 1/4

Chinese 10: 6 9/16

Hongkong 20: 6 3/4

Hongkong 10: 6 7/16

Opium Quotation.

Malwa, New: \$3,000 per pic.

Malwa, Old: 3,100

Malwa, V. Old: 3,625

Persian, Inequality: 1,450

Patna, New: 3,600 per pic.

Patna, Old: 3,500

Banars, New: 3,700

Banars, Old: 3,500

